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In re Application of

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DIAGNOSTIC COMPOSITIONS,  
ELEMENTS, METHODS AND TEST  
KITS FOR AMPLIFICATION AND  
DETECTION OF HUMAN CMV DNA  
USING PRIMERS HAVING MATCHED  
MELTING TEMPERATURES

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.115

In response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 1993, please amend the patent application identified above, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 4, line 6, after "abandoned)]", insert --, now U.S. Patent 5,229,297 --.

On page 33, delete line 34 and replace therefor -- TATGCCCTA C-3' --.

On page 45, line 22, after "Unknown", delete the blank space.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 14, 21, 28 and 29.

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19, 22, 27, 30-36 and 38 as follows:

1. (amended) An aqueous composition buffered to a pH of from about 7 to about 9, which comprises:

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